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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I feel that the settlement made between Microsoft and the Department of Justice is reasonable and that the litigation against Microsoft needs to be brought to an end. The money and time that has been spent on this suit doesn't seem to be worth what will be gained if this continues.

The terms of the settlement, if finalized, will open up competition to other companies, which will in turn benefit the consumer. Not only will there be more choice but also hopefully there will also be more reasonable prices. Because of the terms of the settlement, Microsoft is going to have to make Windows internal code available to other companies so they can design their software to be compatible. Microsoft will be reimbursed for this, which is fair for all sides involved.

Overall I feel that the settlement should stand the way it is and that any further litigation against Microsoft would prove to be wasteful. Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to express my opinions.

Sincerely,



Michael DiBello